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Ms. Sally K. Ride  
NASA Johnson Space Center  
Houston, Texas 77058

Dear Ms. Ride:

Several times a year, we invite distinguished guest speakers to address some 300 to 500 employees of the Central Intelligence Agency. Our objective is to improve our employees' understanding of national and international issues as well as to provide them an intellectual stimulus. Among recent guests have been Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick, Carl Sagan, Art Buchwald, and Ambassador Vernon Walters. I believe the program, now in its twelfth year, has been very successful.

I would be pleased if you could be our guest speaker here at the CIA Headquarters. I suggest 2 or 3 December 1986 but will be happy to accommodate your schedule if these dates are not convenient.

The program normally consists of a lecture of approximately 30 to 45 minutes, followed by a 20 to 30 minute question period. Lectures are usually scheduled from 2:00 to 3:15 p.m. The guest speaker honorarium is \$500 plus travel. Your thoughts about the space program and your experiences as the first woman astronaut, or any other topic of your choice, would be of keen interest to our audience.

I hope you are able to accept this invitation. [redacted]  
[redacted] our Dean of Conferences, will be pleased to discuss any  
aspects of the arrangements with your staff. She can be reached  
at Area Code [redacted]

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

William J. Casey  
Director of Central Intelligence

Letter to Ms. Ride

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